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SUBJ: UNFDAC: INVITATION TO EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO TESTIFY AT
CONGRESSIONAL HEARING

1. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DE BEUS RECEIVED WOLFF LETTER
TRANSMITTED SEPTTEL ON JULY 28, SHORTLY BEFORE CALL ON HIM
BY MISSIONOFFICER ON ANOTHER TOPIC.

2. MR. DE BEUS SAID HIS REACTION TO INVITATION WAS AT
FIRST TO WELCOME CHANCE TO PRESENT CASE FOR UNFDAC TO SELECT
COMMITTEE ON NARCOTICS, ALTHOUGH HE HAD SOME MISGIVINGS
ABOUT OPPORTUNITY TO DO SO, SHOULD QUESTIONING BE HOSTILE.
ON FURTHER REFLECTION, MR. DE BDUS NOTED THAT UN PROBABLY
HAS POLICY ON SUBJECT OF UN CIVIL SERVANTS TESTIFYING
BEFORE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES OF MEMBER STATES, WHICH HE
UNDERTOOK TO LEARN FROM MR. WINSPEARE AND UNNY. MR DE BEUS
INQUIRED WHETHER STATE DEPARTMENT HAD ANY POLICY ON THIS
MATTER.

3. MISSION OFFICER REPLIED THAT A SIMILAR CASE AROSE
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ABOUT YEAR AND A HALF AGO WHEN A CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE
INVITED THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OF IAEA TO TESTIFY AT A
CONGRESSIONAL HEARING. WE UNDERTOOK TO DETERMINE WHETHER
GUIDANCE PROVIDED AT THAT TIME WAS APPLICABLE TO THIS
CASE.

4. MR DE BEUS SPECULATED THAT UN POLICY ON SUBJECT

WOULD BE AGAINST TESTIFYING, INSOFAR AS UN SYSTEM WOULD HAVE DIFFICULTY OPERATING IF ITS EMPLOYEES WERE SUBJECT TO SUMMONS FROM LEGISLATURES OF MEMBER STATES. IF HE FOUND THIS SO, HE WOULD STILL WISH TO BE RESPONSIVE IN SOME FORM TO INVITATION, PERHAPS BY APPEARING INFORMALLY (IF RATIONNALE OF UN POLICY DID NOT PREVENT), OR BY PROVIDING A STATEMENT ON THE SUBJECTS FOR DISCUSSION AND OFFERING TO MEET INFORMALLY WITH COMMITTEE MEMBERS DURING HIS NEXT VISIT TO WASHINGTON.

5. COMMENT: MISSION IS CONCERNED ABOUT IMPLICATIONS FOR FUNCTIONING OF UN SYSTEM SHOULD ITS EMPLOYEES BE SUBJECT TO SUMMONS FROM LEGISLATURES OF MEMBER STATES. ON THE OTHER HAND, IT IS ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT REACTION OF SELECT COMMITTEE IF FUND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DOES NOT APPEAR FORTHCOMING IN RESPONDING AS AFFIRMATIVELY AS POSSIBLE TO ITS INVITATION. MISSION TENDS TO BELIEVE THAT SUBMISSION OF A STATEMENT TO THE COMMITTEE AND AN OFFER TO HOLD INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS WITH COMMITTEE MEMBERS DURING NEXT VISIT TO WASHINGTON MAY BE BEST FORM OF RESPONSE UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES. WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S GUIDANCE. END COMMENT.SORENSEN

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